

Memphis City Council Summary Sheet

- 1. Description of the Item (Resolution, Ordinance, etc.) Amendments to the Memphis Retirement System. Copy of amendments attached
- 2. Initiating Party (e.g. Public Works, at request of City Council, etc.) Division of Human Resources and Finance
- 3. State whether this is a change to an existing ordinance or resolution, if applicable. Yes, these amendments are to the existing Memphis Retirement System ordinances comprising the plan document
- 4. State whether this requires a new contract, or amends an existing contract, if applicable. No new contract is required
- 5. State whether this requires an expenditure of funds/requires a budget amendment. Funds required for these amendments are provided through the referendum adopted last November

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ORDINANCES TO AMEND CHAPTER 25 OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS CODE OF ORDINANCES GOVERNING THE CITY PENSION SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the City of Memphis, Tennessee (the "City") has adopted a pension system for general employees as well as police officers and firefighters known as the City of Memphis Retirement System, as amended and restated from time to time, consisting of a 1948 plan (that part of the system benefiting employees participating under the provisions of sections 25-60 through 25-99) and a 1978 plan (that part of the system benefiting employees participating under the provisions of sections 25-160 through 25-199) as amended in 2012; and a 2016 plan (that part of the system benefiting employees participating under the provisions of sections 25-210 through 25-274), currently established under City Ordinance Chapter 25, Articles I through VII, Divisions 1, 2 and 3 (collectively, "the Pension System"); and

WHEREAS, in order to protect the Pension System's actuarial soundness and ensure the long-term financial viability of the Pension System, and to ensure compliance with required provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code governing employee benefit plans of governmental employers, as well as to make certain clarifying amendments to existing language it is necessary that the Pension System be further amended as set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS, that the Pension System shall be amended as follows:

- 1. Sec. 25-1(4) shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:
 - 4. Average monthly compensation means:
 - a. 1948 plan:
 - i. For each participant, the average monthly compensation, (excluding and disregarding any hiatus in the participant's employment by the city) for his or her five consecutive years of service for which such compensation was the highest. If his or her average monthly compensation for the 12 months next preceding the date of his or her retirement exceeds the average of his or her highest five consecutive years' compensation, then his or her average monthly compensation shall be based upon the 12-month period next preceding the date of his or her

retirement, and in the case of death or disability incurred by a participant in the performance of duties before he or she has five consecutive years of service, his or her average monthly compensation shall be the average monthly rate of compensation during all his or her years of service.

- ii. While in the armed services and receiving years of service credit as provided under subsection (44)(g) of this section, a participant's compensation for purposes of this subsection shall be deemed to be his or her rate of base compensation as a city employee in effect at the time he or she entered the armed services.
- iii. For any police officer or firefighter credited with 30 or more years of service, and eligible for automatic promotion to captain or comparable rank in the police or fire divisions of the city under Charter Section 67, his or her average monthly compensation shall be the current monthly base compensation of a captain or comparable rank in the police or fire divisions of the city as of the date of his or her retirement, plus any shift premium pay, hazardous premium pay, holiday pay, longevity pay and incentive pay, excluding overtime pay, earned during the immediately preceding 12 months.

b. 1978 plan:

- i. For each participant hired prior to July 1, 2012, the average monthly compensation, (excluding and disregarding any hiatus in the participant's employment by the city) for his or her five consecutive years of service for which such compensation was the highest. If his or her average monthly compensation for the 12 months next preceding the date of his or her retirement exceeds the average of his or her highest five consecutive years' compensation, then his or her average monthly compensation shall be based upon the 12-month period next preceding the date of his or her retirement, and in the case of death or disability incurred by a participant in the performance of duties before he or she has five consecutive years of service, his or her average monthly compensation shall be the average monthly rate of compensation during all his or her years of service.
- ii. For each participant that is hired on or after July 1, 2012, the average monthly compensation, (excluding and disregarding any hiatus in the participant's employment by the city) for his or her three consecutive years of service for which such compensation

was the highest. In addition, in the case of death or disability incurred by a participant in the performance of duties before he or she has five consecutive years of service, his or her average monthly compensation shall be the average monthly rate of compensation during all his or her years of service.

- iii. For any police officer or firefighter, the average monthly compensation for three (3) consecutive years of service (excluding and disregarding any hiatus in the participant's employment with the city) for which such average is the greatest, or, if a participant has less than three (3) consecutive years of service, the participant's average monthly compensation for the entire period, or if less, the three- year aggregate period during which the participant was an employee and of which such average is the greatest.
- iv. For any police officer or firefighter hired before February 1, 1978. credited with 30 or more years of service, and eligible for automatic promotion to captain or comparable rank in the police or fire divisions of the city under Charter section 67, his or her average monthly compensation shall be the average monthly base compensation of a captain or comparable rank in the police or fire divisions of the city for the immediately preceding three years to be calculated as follows: the current monthly compensation of a captain or comparable rank as of the date of his or her retirement. plus the monthly compensation of a captain or comparable rank as of the date one year prior to the date of his or her retirement, plus the monthly compensation of a captain or comparable rank as of the date two years prior to the date of his or her retirement, plus any shift premium pay, hazardous pay, longevity pay, and incentive pay, excluding overtime pay or any double time compensation for holidays, earned during the immediately preceding three years, the sum of which is divided by three.
- 2. Sec. 25-1(11) shall be amended by the addition of the following subsection (c) to Sec. 25-1(11) regarding the 2016 Plan:
 - (c) <u>2016 plan</u>: For each participant, for each plan year, the amount of pay, not in excess of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) (as such amount may be adjusted for inflation from time to time by the secretary of the treasury under Code Sections 401(a)(17) and 415(d)), received by such participant for services rendered to the city, including shift premium pay, hazardous pay, longevity pay and incentive pay, but excluding overtime pay or any double-time compensation for holidays.
- 3. Sec. 25-1(11) shall be amended by the addition of the following subsection (d):

- (d) For years beginning after December 31, 2008, (i) an individual receiving a differential wage payment, as defined by Code section 3401(h)(2), from the city shall be treated as an employee of the city, (ii) the differential wage payment shall be treated as compensation, and (iii) the pension system shall not be treated as failing to meet the requirements of any provision described in Code Section 414(u) (1)(C) by reason of any contribution or benefit which is based on the differential wage payment.
- 4. Sec. 25-1(17) shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

Employee means, except for any such employee who is eligible to make and has duly made the election provided in Sec. 25-160 hereof, any person hired on or before June 30, 2016, but who as of June 30, 2016 has seven and one-half (7.5) or more years of service with the city and who was on June 30, 2016 a participant in the City of Memphis Retirement System for General Employees, including police officers and firefighters, under City Ordinance Chapter 25, Articles I through VII, in the regular, full-time employ of the city to the extent that the city contributes to the salary of such employee in a job classification or title that the city administration shall designate as eligible for participation in the plan, including any person who is elected to his/her office by the people, but not including the light, gas and water division of the city, temporary employees as classified by the city, part-time employees, or any employee mandated by law to contribute to the federal Social Security system and not eligible to be a participant by his/her job classification.

The term "employee" shall also not include any person who is a leased employee within the meaning of Code §414(n). Leased employee means any person (other than an employee of the recipient) who pursuant to an agreement between the recipient and any other person ("leasing organization") has performed services for the recipient (or for the recipient and related persons determined in accordance with Code $\S414(n)(6)$) on a substantially full-time basis for a period of at least one (1) year, and such services are performed under primary direction or control by the recipient. Contributions or benefits provided a leased employee by the leasing organization which are attributable to services performed for the recipient employer shall be treated as provided by the recipient employer. A leased employee shall not be considered an employee (unless otherwise specifically covered by the pension system) of the recipient if: (i) such employee is covered by a money purchase pension plan providing: (1) a nonintegrated employer contribution rate of at least ten percent (10%) of compensation, as defined in Code §415(c)(3), but including amounts contributed pursuant to a salary reduction agreement which are excludible from the employee's gross income under Code § 125, Code § 1320, Code § 401(k), Code §402(h) or Code §403(b), (2) immediate participation, and (3) full and

immediate vesting; and (ii) leased employees do not constitute more than twenty percent (20%) of the recipient's non-highly compensated workforce.

5. The last sentence of Sec. 25-1(27) shall be deleted and the following sentence substituted therefor:

The determination of the line-of-duty disability of a participant shall be made on medical evidence by at least two (2) qualified physicians, one of whom may be the physician who makes disability determinations as to such participant for purposes of worker's compensation claims.

6. The last sentence of Sec. 25(31) shall be deleted and the following sentence substituted therefor::

The determination of the ordinary disability of a participant shall be made on medical evidence by at least two (2) qualified physicians, one of whom may be the physician who makes disability determinations as to such participant for purposes of worker's compensation claims.

- 7. Sec. 25-1(43) shall be amended by adding as subparagraph (h) thereto the following subparagraph (h):
 - (h) *Uniformed Service*. To the extent required under the Uniformed Services Employment and reemployment Rights Act of 1994, as amended from time to time, and subject to the mandates and conditions under such Act for the granting of service, including without limitation the payment of employee contributions as required under this Pension and Retirement System, a participant who leaves the employment of the city to enter the uniformed services and returns to employment with the city shall be credited with years of service in respect of such uniformed services.
 - 8. Sec. 25-2 shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

There is created and established a board of administration which, under the provisions of this title and the direction of the mayor, shall administer the plan and the trust fund created by this title. The board shall consist of the mayor or the mayor's designee, the officer in charge of the division of personnel or that officer's designee, the comptroller, five employees of the city with at least ten years of service, a citizen member of the city, a retiree of the plan, and a member of the city council. The member of city council shall be an ex officio member without a vote. The officer in charge of the division of personnel or that officer's designee shall be an ex officio member without a vote. The employee, citizen and retiree members of the board shall be appointed on the first Tuesday in December in odd-numbered years by the council on the recommendation of the mayor, for two year

appointments which shall begin on the January 1 next following the appointments. The council member of the board shall be chairman of the city council or the chairman's designee, who will be appointed each December, to serve for one year beginning on the January 1 next following the appointments. Each of the employee, citizen, retiree member, and city council member of the board shall serve until his or her successor is duly appointed. Vacancies during the term of any employee, citizen, retiree and/or city council member shall be filled by appointment in the same manner as provided for the original appointment except that such appointment shall be made as soon as reasonably feasible after such vacancy occurs (regardless of the year or when in the year such vacancy occurs). The term of such member shall begin effective immediately upon such appointment, and such member so appointed shall serve for the unexpired term of the original member or until a successor to such member is duly appointed. Until a vacancy is filled as provided herein the action of a quorum of the members as provided in Section 25-7 shall be and constitute a valid and binding action of the Board notwithstanding that a position is vacant.

9. Sec. 25-5 shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

The mayor or the mayor's designee shall be ex officio chairperson and the comptroller ex officio treasurer of the board.

10. Sec. 25-31 shall be amended by adding as subparagraph (g) thereto the following subparagraph (g):

Five (5) members of the Pension Investment Committee shall constitute a quorum to transact any business, but it shall not require less than five (5) affirmative votes to carry out any matter presented to it.

- 11. Article V, Sec. 25-50 shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:
 - Sec. 25-50 Code §415 Limitations on Benefit Attributable to Employer Contributions.
 - (a) Compliance with Code §415. The limitations in this Section are intended to comply with the provisions of §415 of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") as applicable to governmental plans, the provisions of which are incorporated by reference. The plan shall be administered in compliance with the provisions of Code §415 and regulations under that section that are applicable to governmental plans and applicable provisions of the final regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service on April 5, 2007. Employer-financed benefits provided by the retirement system shall not exceed the applicable limitations set forth in Code §415, as adjusted under section 415(d) to reflect cost of living increases, and the retirement system

shall adjust the benefits payable to participants and beneficiaries subject to the limitation each calendar year to conform with the adjusted limitation. For purposes of section 415(b) of the Code, the applicable limitation shall apply to aggregated benefits received from all qualified pension plans of the employer. If there is any discrepancy between the provisions of this Section and the provisions of Code §415 and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder, such discrepancy shall be resolved in such a way as to give full effect to the provisions of the Code.

- (b) Basic Limitation on Benefit. Notwithstanding any provision in the plan to the contrary and except as provided in subsection (b) hereof, the annual benefit payable to a participant under the plan to the extent attributable to employer contributions, shall not exceed the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation.
- (c) Exceptions. The limitations under subsection (a) shall not apply if the participant's annual benefit attributable to employer contributions under the plan or any other defined benefit plans maintained by an Affiliate does not in the aggregate exceed \$10,000. For Limitation Years ending after December 31, 2001, the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation is \$160,000, as adjusted, effective January 1 of each year, under Code §415(d) in such manner as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe, and payable in the form of a straight life annuity. A limitation as adjusted under Code §415(d) will apply to Limitation Years ending with or within the calendar year for which the adjustment applies.

(d) Adjustments to Basic Limitation.

- (1) Adjustment for Early Retirement. If a Participant's benefit under the Plan commences before age sixty-two (62), the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation shall be adjusted (in the manner prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury) so that it is the Actuarial Equivalent of an annual benefit equal to the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation commencing at age sixty-two (62). The reduction under this subparagraph shall not reduce the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation below (i) \$75,000 if the benefit begins at age fifty-five (55), or (ii) if the benefit begins before age fifty-five (55), the equivalent of the \$75,000 limitation for age fifty-five (55).
- (2) Adjustment for Deferred Retirement. If a Participant's benefit under the Plan commences after age sixty-five (65), the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation shall be adjusted (in the manner prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury) so that it is the Actuarial

Equivalent of a benefit equal to the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation commencing at age sixty-five (65).

- (3) Adjustment for Less Than Ten Years of Participation. If a Participant has completed less than ten (10) years of participation in the Plan, the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation shall be adjusted by multiplying it by a fraction, the numerator of which is the Participant's number of years (or part thereof) of participation in the Plan and the denominator of which is ten (10); provided, such adjustment shall in no event reduce the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation to an amount which is less than one-tenth (1/10th) of the Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation [as determined without regard to this subsection (d)(3)].
- (4) Adjustment for Less Than Ten Years of Vesting Service. If a Participant has completed less than ten (10) Years of Service, the limitation referred to in (b) and the exception described in (c) shall be adjusted by multiplying the amounts described in such limitation and exception by a fraction, the numerator of which is the Participant's number of Years of Service (or part thereof) and the denominator of which is ten (10); provided, such adjustments shall in no event reduce the limitation or exception amount to a figure which is less than one-tenth $(1/10^{th})$ of such limitation or exception amount as determined without regard to this subsection (d)(4).
- (5) Actuarial Equivalence. Actuarial Equivalence under subsections (d)(1) and (d)(2) shall be determined using a five percent (5%) interest assumption and the applicable mortality table prescribed under Code §417(e)(3)(A)(II).
- (e) Special Rule for Survivor and Disability Benefits. Regardless of the above, the early retirement reduction and the ten (10) year phase-in do not apply to survivor and disability benefits.
- (f) Treatment of Multiple Defined Benefit Plans. The limitations of this section with respect to any participant who at any time has participated in any other defined benefit plan maintained by the employer shall apply as if the total benefits payable under all defined benefit plans in which the participant has participated were payable from one plan.
- (g) Special Definitions Applicable to Code §415 Limitations.
 - (1) Current Accrued Benefit. The term ""Current Accrued Benefit" shall mean a Participant's accrued benefit, when expressed as an

annual benefit within the meaning of Code §415(b)(2), determined as of the last day of the last Limitation Year beginning before January 1, 1987, without regard to any change in the terms of the Plan or any cost of living adjustments, if any, occurring after May 5, 1986.

- (2) Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation. The term ""Defined Benefit Dollar Limitation" shall mean, for Limitation Years ending after December 31, 2001, \$160,000, as adjusted, effective January 1 of each year, under Code §415(d) in such manner as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe, and payable in the form of a straight life annuity. A limitation as adjusted under Code §415(d) will apply to Limitation Years ending with or within the calendar year for which the adjustment applies.
- (3) Defined Benefit Plan. The term "Defined Benefit Plan" shall mean any qualified retirement plan maintained by the Employer which is not a Defined Contribution Plan.
- (4) Compensation. The term "Compensation" as used in this section shall mean compensation as defined in the Regs. 1.415(c)-2(a) and shall be adjusted for types of compensation paid after a Participant's severance from employment as provided in the final regulations under Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code effective April 5, 2007 (IRB 2007-18, T.D. 9319).

For purposes of this Section "Limitation Year" shall mean the Plan year.

12. Article V shall be amended by the addition of a new section, to be denominated as Sec. 25-52 Rollover Distributions, as follows:

25-52. Rollover Distributions.

(a) Application. Notwithstanding any provision in the Pension System to the contrary that would otherwise limit a distributee's election under this Section, a distributee may elect at the time and in the manner prescribed by the Board of Administration to have any portion of an eligible rollover distribution from the Pension System paid directly to an eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee in a direct rollover.

(b) Definitions.

(1) "Eligible Rollover Distribution." An "eligible rollover distribution" is any distribution of all or any portion of the balance to the credit of the "distributee," except that an "eligible rollover distribution" does not include:

any distribution that is one of a series of substantially equal periodic payments (not less frequently than annually) made for the life (or life expectancy) of the "distributee" or the joint lives (or joint life expectancies) of the "distributee" and the "distributee's" designated beneficiary, or for a specified period of ten years or more; any distribution to the extent such distribution is required under Code Section 401(a)(9); the portion of any other distribution that is not includible in gross income (determined without regard to the exclusion for net unrealized appreciation with respect to employer securities); and any other distribution that is reasonably expected to total less than \$200 during a year.

- (2) "Eligible Retirement Plan." An "eligible retirement plan" is an individual retirement account described in Code Section 408(a), an individual retirement annuity described in Code Section 408(b) (other than an endowment contract), a qualified trust (an employees' trust) described in Code Section 401(a) which is exempt from tax under Code Section 501(a), an annuity plan described in Code Section 403(a), an eligible deferred compensation plan described in Code Section 457(b) which is maintained by an eligible employer described in Code Section 457(e)(1)(A), and an annuity contract described in Code Section 403(b), that accepts the "distributee's" "eligible rollover distribution." However, in the case of an "eligible rollover distribution" to the surviving spouse or a nonspouse beneficiary as provided herein, an "eligible retirement plan" is an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity.
- (3) "Distributee." A distributee includes an employee or former employee. In addition, the employee's or former employee's surviving spouse and the employee's or former employee's spouse or former spouse who is the alternate payee under a qualified domestic relations order, as defined in Code § 414(p), are distributees with regard to the interest of the spouse or former spouse. In addition, a rollover shall be permitted in accordance with Code Section 402(c)(11). In general this includes a direct trust to trust transfer by a designated beneficiary to an inherited individual retirement account or annuity or other trust of a type specified by the Secretary of the Treasury.
- (4) "Direct Rollover." A direct rollover is a payment by the pension system to the eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee.
- (c) Non-spouse beneficiary rollover right. For distributions after December 31, 2009, a non-spouse beneficiary who is a "designated beneficiary" under Code §401(a)(9)(E) and the regulations thereunder, by a direct trustee-to-trustee transfer ("direct rollover"), may roll over all or any portion of his or her distribution from

the Pension System to an individual retirement account the beneficiary establishes for purposes of receiving the distribution. In order to be able to roll over the distribution, the distribution otherwise must satisfy the definition of an eligible rollover distribution.

- (A) Certain requirements not applicable. Although a non-spouse beneficiary may roll over directly a distribution as provided above, any distribution made prior to January 1, 2010 is not subject to the direct rollover requirements of Code §401(a)(31) (including Code §401(a)(31)(B), the notice requirements of Code §402(f) or the mandatory withholding requirements of Code §3405(c)). If a non-spouse beneficiary receives a distribution from the Plan, the distribution is not eligible for a "60-day" rollover.
- (B) Trust beneficiary. If the Participant's named beneficiary is a trust, the Plan may make a direct rollover to an individual retirement account on behalf of the trust, provided the trust satisfies the requirements to be a designated beneficiary within the meaning of Code §401(a)(9)(E).
- (C) Required minimum distributions not eligible for rollover. A non-spouse beneficiary may not roll over an amount which is a required minimum distribution, as determined under applicable Treasury regulations and other Revenue Service guidance. If the Participant dies before his or her required beginning date and the non-spouse beneficiary rolls over to an IRA the maximum amount eligible for rollover, the beneficiary may elect to use either the 5-year rule or the life expectancy rule, pursuant to Treas. Reg. §1.401(a)(9)-3, A-4(c), in determining the required minimum distributions from the IRA that receives the non-spouse beneficiary's distribution.
- (d) *Roth IRA rollover*. For distributions made after December 31, 2007, a participant may elect to roll over directly an eligible rollover distribution to a Roth IRA described in Code §408A(b).
- 13. Subparagraph (a) of Section 25-84 <u>Refund of employee contributions</u> shall be amended and restated in its entirety by substituting the following subparagraph (a) therefor:
 - (a) Any participant whose employment with the city terminates, for any reason other than death, who is not entitled to any benefits under section Sec. 25-78, Sec. 25-81 or Sec. 25-82, and who has not elected benefits under Sec. 25-83, shall receive an amount equal to the product of his or her total employee contributions times the applicable return multiple as determined under the table in Sec. 25-1 paid as soon as administratively feasible following the date the termination of his or her employment occurs or is deemed to have occurred under subsection C of this section unless he or she earlier withdraws the employee contributions,

becomes entitled to receive benefits under Sec. 25-78, Sec. 25-81 or Sec. 25-82, or elects benefits under Sec. 25-83.

- 14. Section 25-84 <u>Refund of employee contributions</u> shall be amended by the addition of the following as new subsection (b) and the re-lettering of the current subsection (b) as subsection (c):
 - (b) Any participant whose employment with the city terminates for any reason other than death but who is entitled to a benefit payable under Sec. 25-78, Sec. 25-81 or Sec. 25-82, and who has not elected benefits under Sec. 25-83, may elect to receive in lieu of any other benefit payable under any other section of this Plan an amount equal to the product of his or her total employee contributions times the applicable return multiple as determined under the table in Sec. 25-1 paid as soon as administratively feasible following the date the termination of his or her employment occurs (or which is deemed to have occurred under subsection C of this section) unless he or she earlier withdraws the employee contributions, becomes entitled to receive benefits under Sec. 25-78, Sec. 25-81 or Sec. 25-82, or elects benefits under Sec. 25-83. In the event that any participant elects to withdraw his or her participant contributions as provided in this section 25-84(b), such participant shall be deemed to have waived his or her rights to any other benefit payments under any provision of this Retirement System, including the right to payment of any survivor benefits otherwise payable in the event of the participant's death in accordance with section 25-90 or 25-91 or otherwise under the Pension System.
 - 15. Sec. 25-85 shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

25-85 Benefits upon reemployment.

If a participant receiving benefits pursuant to this 1948 plan is reemployed after his or her annuity commencement date, and becomes a participant in the Plan as provided in Sec. 25-61 or any other section of the Plan, no further benefit payments shall be made to that participant during his or her period of reemployment. Subsequent benefits and an appropriate annuity compensation date for that participant shall be determined based on his or her years of service determined under Sec. 25-1(45), and in accordance with this 1948 plan or the 1978 and 2016 plan, as applicable; provided, however, subsequent benefits shall be reduced by the actuarial equivalent of any amounts distributed between his or her first annuity commencement date and his or her most recent reemployment commencement date, but not to an amount less than the annual plan benefit he or she was receiving immediately before his or her most recent reemployment commencement date.

Proposed Plan Amendments

Discussion Draft

August 12, 2020

16. Effective from and after the effective date of this Ordinance subsection (a) of Sec. 25-93 shall be amended and restated in its entirety by substituting the following subparagraph (2) therefor:

Beneficiary priority. The death benefit of Sec. 25-90 or Sec. 25-91'shall be paid to the surviving spouse (as such term is defined in Sec. 25-1) until the spouse's death. If there is no spouse, or upon the spouse's death, the death benefit shall be made or shall continue to be paid to or on the behalf of the participant's surviving child and handicapped child (as the terms "child" and "handicapped child" are defined in Sec. 25-1), for as long as the individual is a child or handicapped child; provided, however, any handicapped child shall be entitled to receive only 50 percent of the benefit payment any other child of the participant shall be entitled to receive. If payments are made to more than one child, the death benefit shall be payable in equal shares; provided, if any child becomes ineligible to receive benefits because of death or attainment of age, the death benefit shall be divided equally among the remaining eligible children. No surviving spouse of a participant's spouse shall be entitled to any benefits from this 1948 plan as a result of the participant's spouse's interest in a benefit payable under Sec. 25-90 or 25-91.

17. Sec. 25-94 shall be deleted in its entirety and the following Sec. 25-94 substituted therefor as Sec. 25-94:

Sec. 94. Residual benefits and Refund of Employee Contributions.

- (a) Notwithstanding any other sections of this 1948 plan, a participant's beneficiaries, in the order of priority as set forth in Sec. 25-94(b) hereof, shall be paid any excess of the participant's total accumulated employee contributions, minus the aggregate total retirement and death benefit payments under this 1948 plan made to the participant, the participant's spouse, children, or any other designated beneficiary, following the death of all such individuals.
- (b) For a participant whose employment terminates due to death, whose beneficiaries are not entitled to any benefit under any other section of this Plan, such participant's beneficiaries, in the order specified below, shall be entitled to receive a refund of the participant's contributions, less the aggregate of any amount of such contributions paid to the participant, the participant's spouse, children or any other designated beneficiary, prior to the participant's death. The beneficiaries of the benefit under this section (or in the case of residual benefits the beneficiaries of any residual benefits under Sec. 25-94(a) hereof) shall be

- (i) the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the participant (in accordance with procedures established by the Board). Notwithstanding the foregoing to the contrary, if the participant is married at the time of such designation, if the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the participant is not the participant's spouse, the participant's spouse's written consent to such specific beneficiary or beneficiaries shall be required for such designation to become effective, and such consent shall be witnessed by a notary public or by the Benefits Manager of the City, the Total Rewards Officer of the City, or such other person representing the Board as duly designated by the Board. A participant's spouse may give a general consent acknowledging the spouse's right to consent to any beneficiary or beneficiaries and relinquishing such right, in which event any future revocation and/or redesignation of beneficiary(ies) by the participant shall not require further spousal consent. The consent of the spouse must acknowledge the effect of such election and, once given, cannot be revoked by such spouse. Any spousal consent shall only be applicable to the spouse granting such consent, or
- (ii) the participant's spouse, if married to the participant at the time of his/her death, or
- (iii) if no such spouse, the participant's surviving child and handicapped child, as those terms are defined in Section 25-1(6), or
- (iv) if no such surviving child and/or handicapped child, to the participant's surviving child as the term "child' is defined in Section 25-1(6) but without regard to the child's age or status in an educational institution, or
- (v) if no such surviving child to the alternative beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the participant (in accordance with procedures established by the Board) or
- (vi) if the participant failed to designate an alternate beneficiary or beneficiaries as provided above, to the participant's estate.

If there is more than one eligible beneficiary the benefit shall be divided equally among the eligible beneficiaries unless the beneficiaries are designated beneficiaries by the participant as provided above whereupon the benefit will be divided in accordance with the designation by the participant, or if no such designation then equally. For purposes of this section, the terms "spouse" and "child" shall mean any person who the Board determines in good faith under the Plan is the legally recognized spouse or child of the participant. Each beneficiary, or his/her duly appointed representative, shall be responsible for making application, in accordance with uniform procedures established by the Board, for any

benefit due him/her under this section. A beneficiary shall have no claim against the Board, or the pension system, or the city by reason of the failure of such beneficiary to apply properly or timely for benefits under the pension system.

18. Sec. 25-160 <u>Participation</u> shall be amended by adding the following as subparagraph (e) thereto:

- (e) Each Transferred Participant (as such term is defined in Sec. 25-1(43)) who (i) both as of the original effective date of this 2016 plan was, has continuously since such date been, and continues to be as of the effective date of this Ordinance employed by the City in full-time employment as a commissioned fire or police officer, a police dispatcher, a fire alarm operator, or a paramedic, (ii) has continuously since adoption of this 2016 plan participated in this 2016 plan as a Transferred Participant and has not experienced a severance date as such term is defined in Sec. 25-1(39), (iii) has not withdrawn any amount of his or her cash balance account or separate defined contribution plan account from the 2016 plan may make a one-time irrevocable election in a form and manner prescribed by the City to transfer his or her entire cash balance account, consisting of both participant and city contributions and the aggregate interest credits on said account, plus his or her entire separate defined contribution plan account to the 1978 plan, whereupon his or her participation in the 2016 plan and any and all rights and benefits thereunder shall cease and such Transferred Participant shall participate in the 1978 plan, the same as if he or she had not transferred participation from the 1978 plan to the 2016 plan. Such election, once made, shall be irrevocable and may not be subsequently modified. If a participant makes such an election, all rights and benefits upon subsequent retirement or other termination of employment by such Transferred Participant shall be governed solely and exclusively by the terms and provisions of the 1978 plan.
- 19. Subparagraph (a) of Section 25-184 <u>Refund of employee contributions</u> shall be amended and restated in its entirety by substituting the following subparagraph (a) therefor:
 - (a) Any participant whose employment with the city terminates, for any reason other than death, who is not entitled to any benefits under Sec. 25-178, Sec. 25-181 or Sec. 25-182, and who has not elected benefits under Sec. 25-183, shall receive an amount equal to the product of his or her total employee contributions times the applicable return multiple as determined under the table in Sec. 25-1 paid as soon as administratively feasible following the date the termination of his or her employment occurs (or which is deemed to have occurred under subsection C of this section) unless he or she earlier withdraws the employee contributions, becomes entitled to receive benefits under Sec. 25-178, Sec. 25-181 or Sec. 25-182, or elects benefits under Sec. 25-183.

- 20. Section 25-184 <u>Refund of employee contributions</u> shall be amended by the addition of the following as new subsection (b) and the re-lettering of the current subsection (b) as subsection (c):
 - (b) Any participant whose employment with the city terminates for any reason other than death but who is entitled to a benefit payable under Sec. 25-178, Sec. 25-181 or Sec. 25-182, and who has not elected benefits under Sec. 25-183, may elect to receive in lieu of any other benefit payable under any other section of this Plan an amount equal to the product of his or her total employee contributions times the applicable return multiple as determined under the table in Sec. 25-1 paid as soon as administratively feasible following the date the termination of his or her employment occurs or is deemed to have occurred under subsection C of this section unless he or she earlier withdraws the employee contributions, becomes entitled to receive benefits under Sec. 25-178, Sec. 25-181 or Sec. 25-182, or elects benefits under Sec. 25-183. In the event that any participant elects to withdraw his or her participant contributions as provided in this section 25-184(b), such participant shall be deemed to have waived his or her rights to any other benefit payments under any provision of this Retirement System, including the right to payment of any survivor benefits otherwise payable in the event of the participant's death in accordance with section 25-190 or 25-191or otherwise under the Pension System.
 - 21. Sec. 25-185 shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

Sec. 25-185 Benefits upon reemployment.

If a participant receiving benefits pursuant to this 1978 plan is reemployed after his annuity commencement date, and becomes a participant in this Plan as provided in Sec. 25-161 or any other section of the Plan, no further benefit payments shall be made to that participant during his period of reemployment. Subsequent benefits and an appropriate annuity commencement date for that participant shall be determined based on his years of service determined under section 25-1(45) and in accordance with this 1978 plan or the 1948 and 2016 plans, as applicable; provided, however, subsequent benefits shall be reduced by the actuarial equivalent of any amounts distributed between his or her first annuity commencement date and his or her most recent reemployment commencement date, but not to an amount less than the annual plan benefit he or she was receiving immediately before his or her most recent reemployment commencement date.

Any employee hired after October 1, 2013, that leaves employment at the City of Memphis and is eligible for a pension benefit under this 1978 plan or any other plan division of the Memphis Pension System and is then employed at the MLGW, Shelby County, or any other taxpayer supported Primary Government and Discretely Presented Component Units of Memphis or Shelby County shall have his/her pension payment under the City of Memphis Pension System reduced

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by the amount of the salary received from such employment up to the amount of the pension payment under the City of Memphis Pension System during the period of such employment. If the pension payment under the City of Memphis Pension System exceeds the salary received in such employment, then the pension payment shall be reduced by the amount of the gross amount of the salary during the period of employment.

22. Effective from and after the effective date of this Ordinance subsection (a) of Sec. 25-193 shall be amended and restated in its entirety by substituting the following subparagraph (a) therefor:

Beneficiary priority. The death benefit of Sec. 25-190 or Sec. 25-191 shall be paid to the surviving spouse (as such term is defined in Sec. 25-1) until the spouse's death. If there is no spouse, or upon the spouse's death, the death benefit shall be made or shall continue to be paid to or on the behalf of the participant's surviving child and handicapped child (as the terms "child" and "handicapped child" are defined in Sec. 25-1), for as long as the individual is a child or handicapped child; provided, however, any handicapped child shall be entitled to receive only 50 percent of the benefit payment any other child of the participant shall be entitled to receive. If payments are made to more than one child, the death benefit shall be payable in equal shares; provided, if any child becomes ineligible to receive benefits because of death or attainment of age, the death benefit shall be divided equally among the remaining eligible children. No surviving spouse of a participant's spouse shall be entitled to any benefits from this 1978 plan as a result of the participant's spouse's interest in a benefit payable under Sec. 25-190 or 25-191.

For each participant hired on or after July 1, 2012, the death benefit of 25-190 or 25-191 shall be paid to the surviving spouse until the spouse's death. If there is no spouse, or upon the spouse's death, the death benefit shall be made, or shall continue to be paid to or on the behalf of the participant's child and handicapped child (as the terms "child" and "handicapped child" are defined in Sec. 25-1), for as long as the individual is a child or handicapped child; provided, however, any handicapped child shall be entitled to receive only 50 percent of the benefit payment any other child of the participant shall be entitled to receive. If payments are made to more than one child, the death benefit shall be payable in equal shares; provided, if any child becomes ineligible to receive benefits because of death or attainment of age, the death benefit shall be divided equally among the remaining eligible children. No surviving spouse of a participant's spouse shall be entitled to any benefits from this 1978 plan as a result of the participant's spouse's interest in a benefit payable under Sec. 25-190 or 25-191.

23. Sec. 25-194 shall be deleted in its entirety and the following Sec. 25-194 substituted therefor as Sec. 25-194:

Sec. 194. Residual benefits and Refund of Employee Contributions.

- (a) Notwithstanding any other sections of this 1978 plan, a participant's beneficiaries, in the order of priority as set forth in Sec. 25-194(b) hereof, shall be paid any excess of the participant's total accumulated employee contributions, minus the aggregate total retirement and death benefit payments under this 1978 plan made to the participant, the participant's spouse, children, or any other designated beneficiary, following the death of all such individuals.
- (b) For a participant whose employment terminates due to death, whose beneficiaries are not entitled to any benefit under any other section of this Plan, such participant's beneficiaries, in the order specified below, shall be entitled to receive a refund of the participant's contributions, less the aggregate of any amount of such contributions paid to the participant, the participant's spouse, children or any other designated beneficiary, prior to the participant's death. The beneficiaries of the benefit under this section (or in the case of residual benefits the beneficiaries of any residual benefits under Sec. 25-194(a) hereof) shall be
 - (i) the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the participant (in accordance with procedures established by the Board). Notwithstanding the foregoing to the contrary, if the participant is married at the time of such designation, if the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the participant is not the participant's spouse, the participant's spouse's written consent to such specific beneficiary or beneficiaries shall be required for such designation to be effective, and such consent shall be witnessed by a notary public or by the Benefits Manager of the City, the Total Rewards Officer of the City, or such other person representing the Board as duly designated by A participant's spouse may give a general consent the Board. acknowledging the spouse's right to consent to any beneficiary or beneficiaries and relinquishing such right, in which event any future revocation and/or redesignation of beneficiary(ies) by the participant shall not require further spousal consent. The consent of the spouse must acknowledge the effect of such election and, once given, cannot be revoked by such spouse. Any spousal consent shall only be applicable to the spouse granting such consent, or
 - (ii) the participant's spouse, if married to the participant at the time of his/her death, or
 - (iii) if no such spouse, the participant's surviving child and handicapped child, as those terms are defined in Section 25-1(6), or

- (iv) if no such surviving child and/or handicapped child, to the participant's surviving child as the term "child' is defined in Section 25-1(6) but without regard to the child's age or status in an educational institution, or
- (v) if no such surviving child to the alternative beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the participant (in accordance with procedures established by the Board) or
- (vi) if the participant failed to designate an alternate beneficiary or beneficiaries as provided above, to the participant's estate.

If there is more than one eligible beneficiary the benefit shall be divided equally among the eligible beneficiaries unless the beneficiaries are designated beneficiaries by the participant as provided above whereupon the benefit will be divided in accordance with the designation by the participant, or if no such designation then equally. For purposes of this section, the terms "spouse" and "child" shall mean any person who the Board determines in good faith under the Plan is the legally recognized spouse or child of the participant. Each beneficiary, or his/her duly appointed representative, shall be responsible for making application, in accordance with uniform procedures established by the Board, for any benefit due him/her under this section. A beneficiary shall have no claim against the Board, or the pension system, or the city by reason of the failure of such beneficiary to apply properly or timely for benefits under the pension system.

24. Sec. 25-201 <u>Cessation of accruals for transferred participants</u> shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

Except as expressly provided below and solely for Transferred Participants who have duly made the election provided in Sec. 25-160(e), notwithstanding any other contrary provision of this pension system, in calculating the accrued benefit (including the right to any optional benefit provided under the pension system) of any transferred participant, such transferred participant shall accrue no additional benefit under the pension system, division 1 or division 2, on or after June 30, 2016. Transferred Participants who have duly made the election in Sec. 25-160(e) shall accrued no benefit under division 3 (the 2016 plan) but shall accrue benefits solely pursuant to the terms and provisions of this 1978 plan.

25. Subparagraph (a) of Sec. 25-211 shall be amended and restated to read as follows:

General rule. Each person (1) who is hired on or after July 1, 2016, or (2) who is a transferred participant as defined in Sec. 25-1(43)(except for those transferred participants who are eligible to make and have duly made the election provided in Sec. 25-160), in each case who is in the regular, full-time employment of the city to the extent that the city contributes to the salary of such employee in a job classification or 5443459.2

title that the city administration shall designate as eligible for participation in the plan, including any person who is elected to his/her office by the people, but not including the light, gas and water division of the city, temporary employees as classified by the city, part-time employees, or any employee mandated by law to contribute to the federal Social Security system and not eligible to be a participant by his/her job classification, shall become a participant in this 2016 plan as of his or her employment creditable service date without any further action on his or her part.

- 26. Section 25-211 shall be amended by adding as subparagraph (e) thereto the following subparagraph (e):
 - (e) Leased Employee. The term "employee" shall also not include any person who is a leased employee within the meaning of Code $\S414(n)$
- 27. Sec. 25-240 Normal Retirement shall be amended by adding as subparagraph (b) the following and renumbering the current subparagraph (b) as subparagraph (c):
 - (b) Any Participant eligible for a normal retirement benefit pursuant to subparagraph (a) above may irrevocably elect to receive between five percent (5%) and twenty-five percent (25%) (in increments of five percent (5%)) of his/her accrued benefit in the form of an actuarial equivalent single lump-sum distribution. Such election shall be made prior to the participant's annuity commencement date in accordance with uniform procedures established by the Board.

If a participant elects to receive any part of his/her accrued benefit in the form of a lump-sum distribution as provided in this subparagraph (b), the monthly retirement benefit payable to such participant shall be reduced by an equal percentage. Such election shall likewise reduce the amount of any death benefit payable to a surviving spouse or any other beneficiary or beneficiaries, which shall be calculated taking into account such election.

Any cost of living adjustments to the participant's monthly retirement benefit shall be calculated based on the reduced monthly benefit resulting from the lump-sum distribution election.

In determining any minimum monthly benefit provided under the plan, the amount of the applicable minimum shall be reduced by the percentage lump sum elected by the participant.

- 28. Subparagraph (a) and (b) of Sec. 25-242 shall be restated and amended in their entirety to read as follows:
 - (a) Any participant meeting the requirements of section 25-242(d) may elect to receive a deferred retirement benefit under this 2016 Plan equal to his/her accrued benefit and payable in the form of a single life annuity.

- (b) The annuity commencement date of any participant who is to receive his or her benefit pursuant to section 25-242(a) shall be the date s/he reaches age sixty (60).
- 29. Subparagraph (c) of Sec. 25-242 shall be relettered as subparagraph (d) and the following subparagraph (c) added to Sec. 25-242:
 - (c) A participant may revoke his/her election under section 25-242 at any time before his/her annuity commencement date. Any participant timely revoking his section 25-242 election shall receive a refund in accordance with section 25-243 of all employee contributions made by him/her or on her/his behalf under this 2016 plan.
- 30. Subparagraph (a) of Section 25-243 <u>Refund of employee contributions</u> shall be amended and restated in its entirety by substituting the following subparagraph (a) therefor:
 - (a) Any participant whose employment with the city terminates, for any reason other than death, who is not entitled to any benefits under Sec. 25-240 or 25-241, and who has not elected benefits under Sec. 25-242, shall receive an amount equal to his/her total participant employee cash balance plan contributions plus the interest crediting rate on such contributions as provided herein and defined contribution account balance attributable to the participant's contributions. Such refund of employee contributions shall be paid as soon as administratively feasible following the date the termination of his/her employment occurs (or which is deemed to have occurred under Section 25-243(c)) unless s/he earlier withdraws the participant employee contributions or becomes entitled to receive benefits under any other section of this Plan.
- 31. Section 25-243 <u>Refund of employee contributions</u> shall be amended by the addition of the following as new subsection (b) and the re-lettering of the current subsection (b) as subsection (c):
 - (b) Any participant whose employment with the city terminates for any reason other than death but who is entitled to a benefit payable under Sec. 25-240 or 25-241, and who has not elected benefits under Sec. 25-242, may elect to receive in lieu of any other benefit payable under any other section of this Plan an amount equal to his or her total participant employee cash balance plan contributions plus the interest crediting rate on such contributions as provided herein together with his or her defined contribution account balance attributable to such participant's contributions. Such refund of employee contributions shall be paid as soon as administratively feasible following the date the termination of his/her employment occurs (or which is deemed to have occurred under Section 25-243(c)) unless s/he earlier withdraws the participant employee contributions or becomes entitled to

receive benefits under any other section of this Plan. In the event that any participant elects to withdraw his or her participant contributions as provided in this section 25-243(b), such participant shall be deemed to have waived his or her rights to any other benefit payments under any provision of this Retirement System, including the right to payment of any survivor benefits otherwise payable in the event of the participant's death in accordance with section 25-251 or otherwise under the Pension System.

32. Subsection (a) of Sec. 25-250 shall be amended by adding the following sentence as the last sentence of said subsection (a):

Such death benefit shall be paid in accordance with Sec. 25-252.

33. Subsection (b) of Sec. 25-250 shall be amended by adding the following sentence as the last sentence of said subsection (b):

Such death benefit shall be paid in accordance with Sec. 25-252.

- 34. The first paragraph of Sec. 25-251(a), Other Death Benefit shall be amended and restated to read as follows:
 - (a) The beneficiaries described in section 25-251(b) of a participant who dies other than as described in Sec. 25-250(a) or Sec. 25-250(b) and who has not elected deferred retirement under section 25-242, shall receive a death benefit in accordance with Sec. 25-252 equal to seventy-five percent (75%) of:
 - 35. The following subsection (c) shall be added to Section 25-251 as follows:
 - (c) Death Benefits with Respect to Qualified Military Service. In the case of a participant who dies on or after January 1, 2007 while performing qualified military service (as defined in Code section 414(u)) with respect to the city, his/her beneficiary shall have a nonforfeitable interest in all city contributions to the participant to the extent that he/she would have had to such city contributions in the event that the participant resumed, and then terminated, employment on account of death.
 - 36. The following Sec. 25-252 shall be added as Sec. 25-252 <u>Distribution</u> as follows.

Sec. 25-252. Distribution.

(a) Beneficiary priority. The death benefit of Sec. 25-250 or 25-251 shall be paid to the surviving spouse until the spouse's death. If there is no spouse, or upon the spouse's death, the death benefit shall be made or shall continue to be paid to or on the behalf of the participant's surviving children and handicapped children, for as long as they are children or handicapped children; provided, however, any handicapped child shall be entitled to receive only fifty (50)

percent of the benefit payment any other child of the participant shall be entitled to receive. If payments are made to more than one child, the death benefit shall be payable in equal shares; provided, if any child becomes ineligible to receive benefits because of death or attainment of age, the death benefit shall be divided equally among the remaining eligible children. No surviving spouse of a participant's spouse shall be entitled to any benefits from this 2016 plan as a result of the participant's spouse's interest in a benefit payable under Sec. 25-250 or Sec. 25-251.

- (b) Payment after refund. If a participant's employee contributions have been refunded under section 25-243 before the participant's date of death, credits against such refund shall be made in lieu of death benefit payments under section 25-250 or 25-251 until such credits have fully offset such refund amount.
- 37. The following Sec. 25-253 shall be added as Sec. 25-253 Residual benefits as follows.

Sec. 25-253 Residual benefits.

Notwithstanding any other sections of this 2016 plan, a participant's beneficiaries, in the order of priority as set forth in Sec. 25-254 hereof, shall be paid any excess of the participant's total accumulated employee contributions, minus the aggregate total retirement and death benefit payments under this 2016 plan made to the participant, the participant's spouse, children, or any other designated beneficiary, following the death of all such individuals.

38. The following Sec. 25-254 shall be added as Sec. 25-254 <u>Employee Contribution Refunds Upon Death</u> as follows.

Sec. 25-254 Employee Contribution Refunds Upon Death.

For a participant whose employment terminates due to death, whose beneficiaries are not entitled to any benefit under any other section of this Plan, such participant's beneficiaries, in the order specified below, shall be entitled to receive a refund of the participant's contributions, less any amount of such contributions paid to the participant, the participant's spouse, children or any other designated beneficiary, prior to the participant's death. The beneficiaries of the benefit under this section (or in the case of residual benefits the beneficiaries of any residual benefits under Sec. 25-253 hereof) shall be

(i) the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the participant (in accordance with procedures established by the Board). Notwithstanding the

foregoing to the contrary, if the participant is married at the time of such designation, if the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the participant is not the participant's spouse, the participant's spouse's written consent to such specific beneficiary or beneficiaries shall be required for such designation to become effective, and such consent shall be witnessed by a notary public or by the Benefits Manager of the City, the Total Rewards Officer of the City, or such other person representing the Board as duly designated by the Board. A participant's spouse may give a general consent acknowledging the spouse's right to consent to any beneficiary or beneficiaries and relinquishing such right, in which event any future revocation and/or redesignation of beneficiary(ies) by the participant shall not require further spousal consent. The consent of the spouse must acknowledge the effect of such election and, once given, cannot be revoked by such spouse. Any spousal consent shall only be applicable to the spouse granting such consent, or

- (ii) the participant's spouse, if married to the participant at the time of his/her death, or
- (iii) if no such spouse, the participant's surviving child and handicapped child, as those terms are defined in Section 25-1(6), or
- (iv) if no such surviving child and/or handicapped child, to the participant's surviving child as the term "child' is defined in Section 25-1(6) but without regard to the child's age or status in an educational institution, or
- (v) if no such surviving child to the alternative beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the participant (in accordance with procedures established by the Board) or
- (vi) if the participant failed to designate an alternate beneficiary or beneficiaries as provided above, to the participant's estate.

If there is more than one eligible beneficiary the benefit shall be divided equally among the eligible beneficiaries unless the beneficiaries are designated beneficiaries by the participant as provided above whereupon the benefit will be divided in accordance with the designation by the participant, or if no such designation then equally. For purposes of this section, the terms "spouse" and "child" shall mean any person who the Board determines in good faith under the Plan is the legally recognized spouse or child of the participant. Each beneficiary, or his/her duly appointed representative, shall be responsible for making application, in accordance with uniform procedures established by the Board, for any benefit due him/her under this section. A beneficiary shall have no claim against the Board, or the pension system, or the city by reason of the failure of such beneficiary to apply properly or timely for benefits under the pension system.

39. Sec. 25-260 City's 457(b) Plan shall be amended in its entirety to read as follows:

Sec. 25-260. City's 457(b) Plan

(1) Rollover of participant accounts attributable to participant's compensation from the city's 457(b) plan. To the extent permitted by the Internal Revenue Code, a participant of the 2016 Plan entitled to a benefit under Sec. 25-240, Sec. 25-241, or Sec. 25-242 who also participates in the city's 457(b) plan may, upon such participant's termination of employment with the city but prior to the participant's annuity commencement date, transfer from the participant's 457(b) account by direct rollover to this 2016 Plan any portion or all of the amounts in the participant's 457(b) account attributable to the contributions made by the participant and/or the city with respect to the compensation of the participant from the city, provided such transfer will not jeopardize the tax exempt status of this plan. Any amounts in a participant's account rolled over by the participant from a 457(b) or other employee benefit plan of an employer other than the city (except as provided below with respect to the Memphis and Shelby County Airport Authority) may not be rolled over to this 2016 Plan. transferred amount shall be set up in a separate account to be known as a "Rollover Account." Such Rollover Account shall be fully vested at all times and shall not be subject to forfeiture. Such Rollover Account shall be held pursuant to the provisions of this 2016 plan and shall not be withdrawn by or distributed to the participant except as provided in this 2016 Plan.

To the extent an employee of the Memphis and Shelby County Airport Authority who participates in the city's 457(b) plan also participates in this 2016 Plan and is entitled to a benefit under Sec. 25-240, Sec. 25-241, or Sec. 25-242 of this 2016 Plan, such participant may from the participant's 457(b) account in the city's 457(b) plan by direct rollover transfer to this 2016 Plan any portion or all of the amounts in the participant's 457(b) account attributable to the contributions made by the participant and/or the Memphis and Shelby County Airport Authority with respect to the compensation of the participant from the Memphis and Shelby County Airport Authority, to the extent the Memphis and Shelby County Airport Authority makes contributions to this 2016 Plan with respect to such participant and provided such transfer will not jeopardize the tax exempt status of this plan. The transferred amount shall be set up in a separate account to be known as a "Rollover Account." Such Rollover Account shall be fully vested at all times and shall not be subject to forfeiture. Such Rollover Account shall be held pursuant to the provisions of this 2016 plan and shall not

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be withdrawn by or distributed to the participant except as provided in this 2016 Plan.

- (2) Distribution of Rollover Account as Part of Accrued Benefit. At the participant's normal retirement date, or such other date when the participant shall be entitled to receive benefits under Sec. 25-240, Sec. 25-241, or Sec. 25-242, the value of the Rollover Account shall be combined with the participant's cash balance account and defined contribution account to provide additional monthly benefits to the participant as provided herein.
- 40. Sec. 25-273, <u>Prohibition of Assignment</u> shall be amended and restated to read as follows:

Except as otherwise provided by law, no benefit payable under this plan shall be subject to anticipation, alienation, sale, transfer, assignment, pledge, encumbrance, charge, attachment, garnishment, execution, or levy of any kind or any other process of law, voluntary or involuntary. Any attempt to so dispose of any rights to benefits payable hereunder shall be void, unless otherwise authorized by applicable law. Neither the plan nor trust shall be liable for or subject to the debts, contracts, liabilities, engagements or torts of any person entitled to benefits hereunder.

Unless otherwise provided by applicable law, effective July 1, 2015, the restrictions on transfers of benefits as described in this Section shall not apply to the creation, assignment, or recognition of a right to any benefit payable with respect to a participant pursuant to a "qualified domestic relations order" defined in Internal Revenue Code Section 414(p) and as provided in Tenn. Code Ann. 26-2-105, as amended. The Board shall establish a written procedure to determine the qualified status of domestic relations orders and to administer distributions under such qualified orders. For the purposes of this Section "qualified domestic relations order" shall have the meaning set forth under Code Section 414(p).

Where there is a reference in the above Ordinance to the effective date of this Ordinance, such date shall be the date this Ordinance is duly stamped by the Deputy Controller-Council Records or such other City employee authorized to stamp and certify adoption of City Ordinances.